

## Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition

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### 15-35. Reduce the annual rate of rape or attempted rape.

<b>National Data Source</b>	National Crime Victimization Survey (NCVS), Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS).
<b>State Data Source</b>	Not identified.
<b>Healthy People 2000 Objective</b>	Adapted from 7.7 (Violent and Abusive Behavior).
<b>Changes since the 2000 Publication</b>	Revised baseline (see Comments). Revised target (see Comments).
<b>Measure</b>	Rate per 1,000 population.
<b>Baseline (Year)</b>	0.9 (1998)
<b>Target</b>	0.8
<b>Target-Setting Method</b>	Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup.  For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part A, section 4.
<b>Numerator</b>	Number of persons aged 12 years and older who reported being raped or a victim of an attempted rape.
<b>Denominator</b>	Number of persons aged 12 years and older.
<b>Population Targeted</b>	Noninstitutionalized population.
<b>Questions Used To Obtain the National Baseline Data</b>	From the 1998 National Crime Victimization Survey: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <i>Other than any incidents already mentioned, has anyone attacked or threatened you in any of these ways:</i></li> <li>[Response categories include:]</li> <li><i>Any rape, attempted rape, or other type of sexual attack?</i></li> <li><i>(Briefly describe the incident.)</i></li> </ul>
<b>Expected Periodicity</b>	Annual.
<b>Comments</b>	This objective differs from Healthy People 2000

objective 7.7, which included females only.

The original baseline of 0.8 rapes or attempted rapes per 1,000 population was revised to 0.9 per 1,000 to reflect updated data. The target was proportionally adjusted from 0.7 rapes or attempted rapes per 1,000 population to 0.8 per 1,000 to reflect the revised baseline using the original target-setting method.

For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a *Healthy People Statistical Note*.<sup>1</sup>

See Part C for a description of NCVS and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

## References

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